Withdrawal of Army from Kashmir Valley

7765. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in order to initiate political process in Kashmir valley Government has decided to withdraw the army from the valley in a phased manner;

(b) if so, what arc the details thereof; and

(c) by when Government propose to establish popular rule in Jammu and Kashmir?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) J & K being a border State, the question of withdrawal of Army docs not arise. Efforts are being made to reactivate the political process in J & K and create conditions which are conducive to the restoration of democratic institutions. As a pan of this, sustained efforts to curb the activities of the militants are also being made with a view to reduce the fear of the gun and create and environment conducive to holding of free and fair elections in the State. In this context security arrangements and issues pertaining to deployment of security forces is also being continuously reviewed. It will not be possible for Government to indicate any specific date for holding of elections in the State.

Bogus Agencies in Delhi

7766. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether crores of rupees are being looted from citizens in the name of providing jobs abroad by setting up bogus agencies in Delhi and other big cities;

(b) if so, the number of such cases which came to the notice of Government during the last three years; and

(c) the action taken by Government against the guilty persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) to (c) The Delhi Police has reported that several such cases have come to notice. The number of such cases registered in Delhi during the years 1991, 1992, 1993 and 1994 (upto 31.3.94) and action taken against the guilty persons, are given in the enclosed statement.

Statement

Year	No. of cases reported	No. of persons arrested	No. of persons against whom the cases have been instituted in the Court.	No. of persons convicted.	No. of persons Acquitted	No. of persons against whom cases are pending trial	No. of persons against whom cases are pending investigation	No. of persons discharged
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1991	16	18	18	—	2	16	—	—
1992	10	11	9			9	2	—(3 persoas have been declared as P.Os).
1993	33	48	38	—	—	38	10	—